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**Subject:** Friday cap meeting  
**Attachments:** cap\_background\_2017-03-30.pdf; cap\_background\_2017-03-30.xlsx

Greetings, it looks like we can squeeze the Friday morning meeting in and get back to our respective homes before the weather deteriorates too much. If the forecast changes, we'll proceed with the backup web meeting that Mike Morris has already set up – we'll make that call by 8 AM on Friday.

Agenda items include,

- Review of objectives
- Overview of the capping effort at Silver Lake
- Review of the attached task summary table – we'd like to review this line by line discussing the goals/assumptions/output for each task
- Clarify responsibilities and schedule going forward

Thanks, Steve

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Kick off Mtg

Steve - 3 zones for cap

1 - 25-50' near shore (~~plus~~ wave energy, ice, flooding)

2 - 100' out (edge of up. phase)  
- minimal ice

[3 - 6W discharge zone]

Background Work Supporting the Evaluation of Feasibility and Initial Design of an Interim Cap for the Aerovox Nearshore Area - 30MAR2017						
Information Requirement	Relevance	A. Scope of Work - Minimal	B. Scope of Work - Expanded	Lead(s)	Estimated Schedule	Estimated Level of Effort
<i>An initial approximation of interim cap performance objectives is key in fully scoping the information requirements 1-11 below.</i>						
1 Physical characterization of the nearshore area including the full width of the waterway	- presentation of data - impact of cap placement relative to full waterway	- use existing bathymetry and GIS to create cross sections and calculate areas	- create 3D visualization of waterway and subsurface	Mike Morris + Dan Groher	A. 1 week B. 2 weeks	A. \$3K B. \$14K
2 3D extent of DNAPL beneath the nearshore area	- determine the extent of required cap - determine areas with seepage potential	- use existing boring data to create conservative confirmed/probable and potential zones	- collection of additional shallow cores to increase confidence in zone boundaries <i>15 cores, 45 samples</i>	Mike Morris + Dan Groher	A. 1 week B. 2 weeks	A. \$3K B. \$31K FCN #31.2k
3 Groundwater discharge zones and discharge rates in the nearshore area	- design parameter for the cap - assessment of potential alteration of groundwater flow field by the cap	- use existing groundwater flow data from the Aerovox Phase 2 and 3 reports for screening level assessment <i>assumes FVX model</i> - estimate conservative/"worst-case" potential discharge scenarios to determine if there are significant data gaps	- expand on existing or develop a new Modflow application to evaluate the impact of the cap - field measurement of discharge parameters	Mike Morris + Dan Groher	A. 2 months B. 4 months	A. \$52K B. \$88K #74.6k
4 Flux of dissolved phase contaminants	- design parameter for the cap - assess impacts of delayed removal of source	- use existing groundwater data and flux calculation from the Aerovox Phase 2 and Phase 3 reports for screening level assessment - field measurement of flux <i>45 dive pts?</i>	- add transport to the groundwater flow model application to evaluate effectiveness/impact of the cap <i>Needs more work: what is river seeing?</i>	Mike Morris + Dan Groher	A. 2 months B. 4 months	\$32.8k A. \$63K** B. \$30K 2 weeks
5 Physical characterization of the ambient sediment	- design parameter for the cap	- conservative assumption of sediment properties based on previous experience and data from comparable sites	- sub-bottom profiling - CPT - collection of cores for lab analysis	Steve Wolf	A. 1 week B. 5 months	A. \$3K B. \$30-120K <i>Lally - not too elaborate or ex</i>
6 Gas ebullition	- design parameter for the cap	<i>The Foss - HDPE cap, gas unwilling</i> - literature review of cap design and performance at comparable sites - Perform "sensitivity" analysis to assess gas production rates that would be problematic	- enlist support of an ebullition specialist + collection of site specific data - possible bench scale test	Dan Groher	TBD	TBD
7 Wave and current energy	- design parameter for the cap	- boat based measurements - localized hydrodynamic model application (note that this is being performed to support all Upper Harbor work)	<i>- use ERDC data - DELFT model (similar to EDI) but better</i>	John Lally	3 months	\$120K** - who - does not
8 Ice impacts	- design parameter for the cap	- ice scour model application (note that this is being performed to support all Upper Harbor work)		Mike Morris + Tuthill	1 month	\$12K - whole upper h
9 Construction complexity/impacts	- incorporate into cost estimate - defensibility of remedy	<i>need needs of land-based file-handlers</i> - review of comparable sites	<i>radial conveyor (100 radars)</i> - if cost estimate is high enough, perform limited value engineering study	A. John Lally B. Corps	A. 2 weeks B. TBD	A. \$10K B. TBD
10 Ecological functionality of completed cap and impact on surrounding area	- design parameter for the cap - defensibility of remedy	<i>Steve to check w/ Barb</i> - definition of biologically active zone - review of comparable sites - calculation in changes to riverway cross sectional area	- incorporation into updated functions and values assessment	Atlantic Ecology Lab?	A. TBD B. TBD	A. TBD B. TBD
11 Presumptive cap design starting point - Silver Lake (Pittsfield MA)	- similar conditions to NBH - post-cap data indicates highly successful performance	- EPA presents case study	- bench scale study (column tests) using Aerovox sediments and Silver Lake cap design - would help evaluate gas ebullition	Dave Dickerson + Dan Groher	TBD	

Steve - issue notes in ~2 days  
- 2 weekly for more detailed